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To

United States Displaced Persons Commission,
Room 12, Hanes / K., APO 757

EC # 538859

Att. -sp. Senior Officer,
Mr. Ernest F. Richter.

I would like to herewith appeal against your decision dtd. 11 February, 1952, whereby my application to enter the United States of America under the Displaced Persons Act, was rejected on basis of Section 13.

I would appreciate your consideration on following points, and ask you kindly to reverse the above decision, in case you will find it possible under the present laws and regulations :

1) In 1941 as Estonians were drafted or accepted to join the Waffen - SS voluntarily on German soils.

2) My mobilization order (Einberufungsstafel) was issued on 16 July, 1941 at Frankfurt / Oder, and I was assigned to a Police Bn. including only Estonian refugees. This Unit was not under the command of the SS.

3) On 23 December, 1942, I was transferred to the "Estonian Legion" while I had refused to take German citizenship .

4) All my promotions, including the last one on 23 Dec. 1944, were marked "Waffen" (for example "Waffen - Untersturmfuhrer) and not "SS", which clearly indicates that I was not a member of the SS.

5) If the word "Voluntary" appears somewhere in my military record or curriculum vitae, I have to state that this word was written down by order of higher German Authorities who this way tried to cover the fact that they had broken the International Law and mobilized foreign nationals on occupied or German territories.

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